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Confirmation No.: 4621 Examiner: Ronald D. Hartman Jr.

Filed: March 27, 2000

For: QUALITY CONTROL SYSTEM FOR MEDICAL DIAGNOSTIC APPARATUS

EXCESS CLAIM FEE PAYMENT LETTER

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

An Amendment Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.111 is attached hereto for concurrent filing in the above-identified application. The resulting excess claim fee has been calculated as shown below:

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Please charge Deposit Account No. 19-4880 for the statutory fee of \$168.00. The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account. A duplicate copy of this letter is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated June 18, 2002, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please enter the following amended claims:

1. (Amended) A quality control system for medical diagnostic apparatuses, wherein said medical diagnostic apparatuses comprise at least one medical image input device, said quality control system comprising:

a plurality of medical image input devices having respective histories of evaluation results on specified items regarding quality of individual medical image input devices;

a control device which stores all of the histories of said evaluation results which respective medical image input devices hold to control the histories thereof centrally; and

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